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The following is provided as a reminder of the password requirements in the Individuals Authorized Access to CMS Computer Services (IACS) tool. Password selection and entry must adhere to these rules or the user will receive an error and their change request will not be processed.

Your new password must meet the following requirements:

- Be 8 characters in length
- Be a mixture of letters and numbers
- Not begin with a number
- Not contain 4 consecutive characters from the previous password
- Not contain your UserID
- Be changed at least every 60 days
- Be different from the previous 6 passwords
- Not contain a reserved word (*PASSWORD, WELCOME, CMS, HCFA, SYSTEM, MEDICARE, MEDICAID, TEMP, LETMEIN, GOD, SEX, MONEY, QUEST, 1234, F20ASYA, RAVENS, REDSKIN, ORIOLES, BULLETS, CAPITOL, MARYLAND, TERPS, DOCTOR, 567890, 12345678, ROOT, BOSSMAN, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, SSA, FIREWALL, CITIC, ADMIN, UNISYS, PWD, SECURITY, 76543210, 43210, 098765, IRAQ, OIS, TMG, INTERNET, INTRANET, EXTRANET, ATT, LOCKHEED*).

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Thank you,

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